

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

**ERWIN ELEMENTARY Lancaster County** 

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 470** 

Principal: Jane B. Gaston

Superintendent: Richard E. Moore

**Board Chair: Robert Parker** 

# **PERFORMANCE**

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | <b>GROWTH RATING</b> | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD |                 | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|
|      |                 |                      | General Performance            | Closing the Gap |            |                         |
| 2011 | Average         | Average              | TBD                            | TBD             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2010 | Average         | Average              | N/A                            | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2009 | Average         | Average              | N/A                            | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |

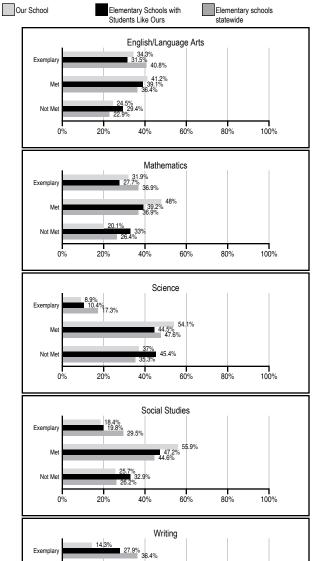
# **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 5         | 11   | 97      | 24            | 5       |

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.



Not Me



80%

100%

### NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# ERWIN ELEMENTARY [Lancaster County] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

|                                                                              | Our School | Change from Last Year | Elementary<br>Schools with<br>Students Like<br>Ours | Median<br>Elementary<br>School |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Students (n=470)                                                             |            |                       |                                                     |                                |
| Retention rate                                                               | 1.3%       | Down from 1.4%        | 1.4%                                                | 1.1%                           |
| Attendance rate                                                              | 95.8%      | No Change             | 95.9%                                               | 96.2%                          |
| Served by gifted and talented program                                        | 2.6%       | Up from 2.4%          | 8.6%                                                | 13.4%                          |
| With disabilities other than speech                                          | 1.9%       | Down from 6.9%        | 4.5%                                                | 4.1%                           |
| Older than usual for grade                                                   | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.5%                                                | 0.3%                           |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                                | 0.0%                           |
| Teachers (n=27)                                                              |            |                       |                                                     |                                |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                                               | 59.3%      | Up from 51.7%         | 60.8%                                               | 62.5%                          |
| Continuing contract teachers                                                 | 85.2%      | Up from 69.0%         | 85.7%                                               | 88.2%                          |
| Teachers returning from previous year                                        | 89.2%      | Down from 95.4%       | 86.3%                                               | 87.8%                          |
| Teacher attendance rate                                                      | 92.6%      | Down from 94.6%       | 95.1%                                               | 95.2%                          |
| Average teacher salary*                                                      | \$46,658   | Down 3.5%             | \$45,765                                            | \$46,773                       |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                                | 0.0%                           |
| Professional development days/teacher                                        | 13.0 days  | Down from 13.4 days   | 10.1 days                                           | 10.5 days                      |
| School                                                                       |            |                       |                                                     |                                |
| Principal's years at school                                                  | 14.0       | Up from 12.0          | 4.0                                                 | 4.0                            |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 23.8 to 1  | Up from 22.3 to 1     | 18.4 to 1                                           | 19.9 to 1                      |
| Prime instructional time                                                     | 87.5%      | Down from 89.5%       | 90.0%                                               | 90.4%                          |
| Opportunities in the arts                                                    | Good       | No Change             | Good                                                | Good                           |
| SACS accreditation                                                           | Yes        | No Change             | Yes                                                 | Yes                            |
| Parents attending conferences                                                | 99.8%      | Down from 100.0%      | 100.0%                                              | 100.0%                         |
| Character development program                                                | Excellent  | No Change             | Excellent                                           | Excellent                      |
| Dollars spent per pupil**                                                    | \$7,476    | Down 5.0%             | \$7,780                                             | \$7,447                        |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 72.7%      | Down from 74.3%       | 68.1%                                               | 68.4%                          |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 69.5%      | Up from 68.4%         | 64.9%                                               | 65.8%                          |
| % of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days                     | 100.0%     | No Change             | 85.7%                                               | 90.5%                          |

Length of contract = 185+ days.

### EVALUATION RESULTS

|                                                        | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 28       | 71        | 47       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 100.0%   | 97.2%     | 95.6%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0%   | 95.7%     | 95.7%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 100.0%   | 95.8%     | 80.0%    |

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

"Live to love, love to learn, and live to love learning" sets the stage for our attitude and atmosphere at Erwin Elementary and serves as our mission statement. We believe that happy students who are engaged in standards based activities are likely to succeed. Our positive environment promotes challenging academic standards and outstanding school citizenship. Visitors are able to observe students actively participating in research based learning and using laptops, SmartBoards and computer labs to further their knowledge.

Numerous programs are available to students to provide creative outlets and to promote positive character development. Students may be involved in activities such as Relay for Life events, Drama Club, Girls on the Run, Book Writing Club, Kindergarten/Grade 1 Chorus, Elementary Chorus, Study Buddies, A.C.E. Club, Student Council, Junior Achievement, Choral Festival, and Reading Counts.

PASS scores show continuous gains, and we met AYP. Our focus continues to be to provide opportunities for academic improvement by engaging students in learning before, during, and after school. Some activities offered before or after school include the following: PASS Review Session, Study Island, KidBiz, fitness programs, and computer classes. By offering additional programs, we are able to expand instruction of curriculum standards and offer assistance to students who need additional help while offering more challenging activities to others.

Our faculty and our staff are focused on becoming stronger and they take advantage of professional development opportunities. All teachers participated in KidBiz, Tests for Higher Standards, and other training sessions and workshops to improve the implementation of technology in the classroom. All teachers wrote and submitted a grant and many were funded. We strive to provide an education that encourages individual differences and allows students to just be children while providing a quality education.

Supportive parents, spirited students, and enthusiastic staff make our atmosphere one of playfulness and friendliness. Our welcome mat sums up our beliefs and supports our mission statement as it reads, "Little People, Big Dreams, and Bright Futures at Erwin Elementary.

Jane B. Gaston, Principal Virginia Faulkner, Chairperson of School Improvement Council

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.